

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

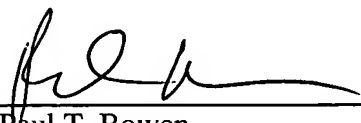
Claims 1-16 are pending. The specification has been amended to include cross reference to the related applications. The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to conform with U.S. practice.

Prompt and favorable consideration are earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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